

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:** Mary M. DaRif, et al.

**Attorney Docket No.:** 6962D2

**For:** PAINT COLOR CARD  
AND METHODS OF USING  
THE SAME

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of a filing fee and examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the specification:**

Please amend the specification by replacing the section titled CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION, with the following beginning at page 1, line 4:

This application ~~claims the benefit~~ is a divisional of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/026,041, filed on December 21, 2001, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/258,594, filed December 28, 2000.